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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Proposed Manpower Survey

1. A meeting was held in General Ross's Office on 4 October at 0930, to discuss a proposal for a manpower survey of Det. G and a proposal for a study on the feasibility of moving the IDEALIST Program from Edwards Air Force Base ☐ The meeting was attended by the Director of Special Activities, Deputy for Operations, Deputy for Materiel, Comptroller, and the Deputy for Research and Development.

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2. The following course of action was directed by General Ross:

a. Identify a team for a manpower survey.

b. Deputy for Operations, Deputy for Materiel, and Comptroller work up a charter for guidance of the team; the charter to be completed in one week.

c. The team write a plan of operation for the study, a proposed directive to Det. G advising them of the up-coming study, surface any grey areas where additional guidance for the team or the detachment may be required, and present same to the staff. The suspense date for this activity is two weeks after receipt of the charter by the team. At the time of the presentation of the team proposals, timing for the study will be decided.

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3. The proposal for studying the relocation of the IDEALIST Program is to be held to a low-key effort. The team accomplishing the manpower survey is also to obtain, at the same time, as much information as possible regarding all aspects of a relocation of the IDEALIST detachment. In this connection it may be necessary for the team [redacted] after accomplishing the Edwards portion of the study. In any event, however, there is to be no discussion of relocation with other than key personnel at Det. G [redacted] It was also directed that any discussions held were to be prefaced by the statement that this is an inhouse preliminary staff study only, and no additional inferences are to be drawn therefrom. Further, the survey would be conducted after Det. G deployments (Swap Shop, Scope Saint) have been completed.

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